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School sent a letter of appreciation to the Marine Corps for giving them a tour on Camp Foster and Marine Corps Air Station Futenma July 16. During the tour, the students had opportunities to see a wind turbine, an MV22B Osprey, and visit the fire station. 7月16日に、

Students of the Busy Bee

キャンプフォスターと海兵隊普天間 基地を視察したビジー・ビー・スクー ルの生徒たちから、海兵隊に対して お礼の色紙が届いた。視察では、子 供達は風力発電機やMV-22オスプレ イを見たり、消防署を訪れたりした。

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on the cover



Lance Cpl. Ricardo Gonzalez plays with a child of the Asunaro Nursery School of Nago City Aug 10 at Oura Wan Beach on Camp Schwab. 8月10日、キャンプシュワ ーブの大浦湾ビーチであすなろ保育園の 子供たちと一緒に遊ぶリカルド・ゴンザレ ス上等兵。Photo by Lance Cpl. Kasey Peacock

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Riley Inns, right, battles his opponent at the Henoko Okinawa-style Sumo Tournament June 22 at the Mee-Nu-Hama Field, Inns. 13. the son of a Marine, went on to defeat two more opponents to win first place in the children's age tournament. 6月22日に辺野古の前 ヌ浜で行われた角力(沖縄相撲)大会で相撲を取るライリー・インズ君 (13才)。海兵隊員の息子のライリー君は、この後さらに二人に勝ち、 年齢別子供相撲の部で優勝した。Photo by Lance Cpl. Natalie M. Rostran

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The two major Marine Corps commands on Okinawa are the III Marine Expeditionary Force, which is the operational force that responds to crises and natural disasters; and Marine Corps Installations Pacific, which provides installation support to Marine Forces Pacific and III MEF, and ensures garrison quality of life support to Marines, Sailors and their families. Both commands received new commanders this summer. When a new commander assumes command, it is customary for the commander to issue his intent to the entire command to ensure his direction is carried out by all. By reading these messages, you will understand how much emphasis the Marine Corps places on maintaining mission readiness and ethical standards.

Maj. Gen. Charles L. Hudson addresses the

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Photo by Lance Cpl. Elizabeth A. Case

audience June 14 on Camp Foster during a change

of command ceremony. 6月14日に行われた交代式

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An Open Letter to Marine Corps Installations Pacific

Marines, uniformed and nonuniformed, and Sailors of Marine Corps Installations Pacific, I am honored to have the opportunity to lead this prestigious command. Together, we will continue to support the operating forces of Marine Forces Pacific and III MEF, so that we are prepared to respond when called and poised to carry the day as Marines have always done. Each of us must do our utmost to accomplish this task. This is our duty.

Marines must be the embodiment of professionalism, integrity, character and competence. We will ALL uphold the high caliber of professional standards that sets Marines apart. Leaders at all levels will develop their subordinates, and thus prepare the next generation of Marines. This is what we do.

MCIPAC Marines and Sailors will never forget that we are representatives of our service and, when forward-based or deployed to foreign soil, we are ambassadors for our nation. It is our duty to conduct ourselves as such and always hold ourselves to the highest ethical standards. Our core values of honor, courage and commitment demand that we treat others with dignity and respect. Unethical behavior, be it hazing, drug use or alcohol

abuse, is incompatible with our values. If any MCIPAC Marine or Sailor witnesses such actions, our sense of duty must compel us to intervene. Our behavior must be above reproach and reflect our core values. By our conduct, we will uphold the high standard our nation associates with the title Marine. This is who we are.

Semper Fidelis, C. L. Hudson Major General, U.S. Marine Corps Commanding General, Marine Corps Installations Pacific

Maj. Gen. Hudson is a graduate of the Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, Marine Corps Command and Staff College and the Marine Corps War College. In addition to a Master of Military Studies and a Master of Strategic Studies, he holds an M.S. in Human Resource Management.

海兵隊太平洋基地司令官より 海兵隊員および海軍兵へ

海兵隊太平洋基地の海兵隊員と民間人従業員、および海軍兵の諸君、私は、この栄えある部隊を指揮する機会に恵まれたことを光栄に思う。太平洋海兵隊の実戦部隊および第三海兵遠征軍をこれまで同様に支えていこう。それにより海兵隊は、要求に即座に対応できる態勢を整え、歴代の海兵隊員が歩んできた道を歩む姿勢を維持できる。我々一人ひとりが、この任務達成のために最善を尽くさなくてはならない。これが我々の使命である。

海兵隊員は、プロ意識、誠実さ、品性、能力の賜物でなくてはならない。我々全員がプロとして高い規準を持ち、それが海兵隊を際立たせるものとなる。あらゆるレベルのリーダーが部下を育成することで、次世代の海兵隊員が育つ。これが我々の日常である。

海兵隊太平洋基地の海兵隊員と海軍兵は、 海兵隊の代表者であること、そして海外に派 遣されている間は国を代表する大使であることを決して忘れてはならない。そして、それに 適う振る舞いをし、最も高い倫理規範に従う ことが、我々の義務である。我々の基本理念で ある「名誉、勇気、決意」は、我々が他者を尊重 し敬意を払うことを求めている。非道徳的な 行為、例えばしごき、薬物の使用やアルコール の過剰摂取は、我々の価値に反する。もし海 兵隊太平洋基地の海兵隊や海軍兵がそのよ

うな行為を目撃したら、直ちに止めることが責務だと感じなくてはならない。我々は、非の打ち所のない、基本理念を反映した行動をとらなくてはならない。そして、国家が海兵隊員という職業と結びつけている高い倫理規範を、行動で示していく。それが海兵隊員なのだ。

Semper Fidelis (常に忠誠を) 海兵隊太平洋基地司令官 米海兵隊少将 C・L・ハドソン

ハドソン少将は、海兵隊水陸両用戦闘学校、海兵隊指揮幕僚大学、海 兵隊戦争大学の卒業生。軍事研究及び軍事戦略研究における修士号に 加え、人的資源管理の修士号を持つ。 在沖海兵隊の2つの主要構成要素は、第三海兵遠征軍(非常事態や自然災害に対応する実動部隊)と海兵隊太平洋基地(太平洋海兵隊および第三海兵遠征軍を施設面からサポートし、海兵隊員、海軍兵、その家族の基地内での生活を支える)です。その両方がこの夏、新しい司令官を迎えました。新しい司令官は、自身の方向性が全隊員によって実践されるよう、就任後自らのビジョンを発表するのが慣例となっています。これを読んでいただければ、海兵隊がいかに任務を遂行するための即応態勢と倫理規範に重きを置いているかがお分かりいただけることでしょう。

Lt. Gen. John Wissler, left, receives the III

Marine Expeditionary Force organizational

colors from Lt. Gen. Kenneth J. Glueck Jr.

ceremony July 19 on Camp Foster. 7月19日に

キャンプフォスターで行われた交代式で、ケネ

ス・J・グラック・Jr中将から第三海兵遠征軍の旗

during the III MEF change of command

を受け取るジョン・ウィスラー中将(左)。

Photo by Sgt. Brian A. Marion

III Marine Expeditionary Force Commanding General's Guidance

It is an honor to join the III Marine Expeditionary Force team and to become a part of the most ready force in U.S. Pacific Command. You have proven you are combat-ready and the force of choice for any crisis in the region, yet we are only as good as our next response. We will continue to maintain our readiness for the unexpected by training to the exceptional standards required of Marines around the globe and throughout our historic past.

The Marines and Sailors of III MEF, empowered by their families and our civilian Marines, will be able to respond to any crisis in the region and make a difference; be partner-enabled in

everything we do; and value the contribution from every member of the force while eliminating risk to mission and people.

III MEF readiness starts with the individual and ethical behavior. I expect every Marine and Sailor to strive for exemplary ethical behavior on and off duty.

Maintaining ethical standards starts with the individual, but can only be maintained across the entire fighting force through unyielding standards enforced by leaders at every level, including the toughest leadership challenge of all, peer leadership.

If you see less than ethical behavior - be it hazing, failing to maintain liberty standards, drug use, alcohol abuse, or any other poor life choice - intervene and eliminate it!

Accept no less than the highest ethical standards from yourself and those you lead. Our collective readiness demands your engaged leadership - our success on the battlefield or in crisis response is at stake.

Semper Fidelis, John Wissler Lieutenant General, U.S. Marine Corps Commanding General, III MEF Commander, Marine Forces Japan

Lt. Gen. Wissler graduated with honors at the U.S. Naval Academy, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Ocean Engineering, and was a Distinguished Graduate at the Air Force Institute of Technology, receiving a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering. He is a distinguished graduate of the Marine Corps Command and Staff College Resident Program; completed Armed Forces Staff College; and served as a Commandant of the Marine Corps and Federal Executive Fellow at The Brookings Institution, Foreign Policy Studies Branch.

第三海兵遠征軍司令官のガイダンス

第三海兵遠征軍のチームに参加し、アメリカ太平洋司令部の中でも最も即応態勢の整った部隊の一員になれたことを誇りに思う。君たちは、戦闘態勢を整えており、この地域でのいかなる危機的場面においても最優先に選ばれる部隊であることを証明しているが、次に出動する際にもこれを証明しなくてはならない。我々は、不測の事態に対する即応態勢を維持するため訓練を行い、世界中でこれまで海兵隊に要求されてきた高い水準を引き続き満たしていく。

第三海兵遠征軍の海兵隊員と海軍兵は、家族や民間人従業員の支えを受け、地域のいかなる危機にも対応し成果を出すことができる。我々の活

動全てにおいてパートナーと共に力を発揮することができる。そして、構成員各々の貢献に価値を置きつつ任務や人々に対するリスクを避けることができる。 第三海兵遠征軍の即応態勢は、個人の倫理的行動からかまる。海丘隊員お上が海軍兵一人ひとりが

動から始まる。海兵隊員および海軍兵一人ひとりが、公務内外で倫理的行動を取るよう努力することを期待する。

倫理規範の維持は各人の行動から始まるが、軍全体がそれを維持するには、あらゆるレベルのリーダーによって実行される揺るぎない倫理規範が不可欠である。そして最も難しいのが、仲間に対して示すリーダーシップである。

倫理的とは言えない行い、例えば、しごき、公務外 行動基準の違反、薬物使用、アルコールの過剰摂 取、その他の誤った判断を見たら、止めに入りこれを 撲滅すること!

自分自身に対しても部下に対しても、最高水準の

倫理規範以外は許してはならない。我々全体の即応態勢には、君たちのリーダーシップが必要である。戦場においても危機への対応においても、我々の成功は君たちにかかっている。

Semper Fidelis (常に忠誠を) 第三海兵遠征軍司令官 在日海兵隊司令官 米海兵隊中将 ジョン・ウィスラー

ウィスラー中将は、米海軍兵学校を優秀な成績で卒業し、海洋工学の学士号を取得。さらに空軍工科大学も優秀な成績で卒業し、産業工学修士号を取得。海兵隊指揮幕僚大学のレジデント・プログラムの優秀卒業生。 米軍幕僚大学(現在の統合幕僚大学)を修了。ブルッキングス研究所外交政策研究支局において海兵隊総司令官・連邦上級フェローとして外交政策を研究した。

Marines test their might in Okinawa-style sumo

Lance Cpl. Natalie M. Rostran

Marines and family members of Camp Schwab participated in the Henoko Okinawa-style Sumo Tournament June 22 at the Mee-Nu-Hama Field in Henoko. The Henoko Young Men's Association hosted the tournament, which has taken place annually

for the past 100 years.

"Okinawa-style sumo, also called kakuriki, closely resembles a combination of western wrestling and Okinawa-style grappling, known as tegumi," said Fumio Iha, the community relations specialist for Camp Schwab. "The athletes in Okinawa sumo wear a gi with either red or white belts. While it used to be practiced

Unlike the traditional Japanese-style sumo, kakuriki starts with participants holding their opponent's belt. The objective is to get the opponent on their back without the participants letting go of each other's belts or using any kind of striking technique.

"For the trained athlete, the focus is on strength and the ability to off-balance the opponent," said Masakazu Tokuda, president of the Henoko Young Men's Association.

Marines and their families were invited to participate in all four categories of Henoko's tournament, including the children's matches, friendly matches, challenge matches and championship tournament.

"It was fun, but hard," said Preston D. Flinders, 10, the son of a Marine, after his first match. Preston would continue on to reach fourth place in his group.

As the tournament progressed to the 11-year-old-and-up categories, techniques Americans took first and second place in the children's age group.

first place, and Tyler S. Flinders, 14, Preston's older brother, earned second.

"It felt good to win because some of those competitors are really good," said Inns.

anyone else in attendance. If the attendee acone bout for fun.

"I can now say I have wrestled in an Okinawa-style sumo tournament," said Pfc. Danielle A. Auld, an ammunition technician with 3rd Marine Logistics Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force, who was challenged twice and won both bouts. "It was amazing to be able to experience so much of their culture. It was fun, and I hope to be able to do more events in the future."

on beaches, most tournaments are now held at sandy pits."

began to take precedence over strength and for the first time in the tournament's history, two

Riley Inns, 13, also the son of a Marine, took

During the challenge portion of the competition, members of the audience could challenge cepted the challenge, they would participate in

Justin William, back, takes on his opponent at the Henoko Okinawa-style Sumo Tournament June 22 at the Mee-Nu-Hama Field. 6月22日、前ヌ浜で行わ れた辺野古角力大会で相撲を取るジャスティン・ウィ リアムさん。 Photos by Lance Cpl. Natalie M. Rostran

一般勝ち抜き戦の全て年齢別子供相撲、日米

The championship tournament began with

22 participants, including seven Marines from Camp Schwab and one U.S. Department of Defense civilian contractor. Although the American participants did not place in the championship tournament, they all took something away from the competition.

"It was cool to be a part of their traditions," said Pfc. Gabriel J. Fennimore, an ammunition technician with 3rd Supply Battalion. "They take Okinawa-style sumo very seriously. Their sportsmanship is awesome, and it was a great way to introduce us to their customs."

As the evening came to a close, Tokuda addressed the audience and emphasized the importance of fostering good relationships between the residents of Henoko and the Marines, sailors and their family members at Camp Schwab.

"We are very pleased to have this competition, especially with the participation of the Camp Schwab Marines," said Tokuda. "We're always happy to see them coming to our events, and we hope they know that they are always welcome to compete."



Preston Flinders, back, battles his opponent at the Henoko Okinawa-style Sumo Tournament June 22 at the Mee-Nu-Hama Field. 6月22 日、前ヌ浜で行われた辺野古 角力大会で相撲を取るプレス

Okinawa families enjoy summer with service members

Lance Cpl. Michael M. Stroman

and a child of the Asunaro Nursery

Lance Cpl. Kasey Peacock

Students of the Asunaro Nursery School in Nago City splashed and played Aug. 10 during a day a the beach with Marines and sailors of Combat Assault Battalion.

At Oura Wan Beach, students, their family members and school staff spent time with Marines and sailors with CAB, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, as part of an ongoing relationship between the school

Volunteers with CAB make monthly visits to the school, teaching basic English phrases and words, as well as proper pronunciation. Fumio Iha, the Camp Schwab community relations specialist, coordinated with the battalion's chaplain, Navy Lt. Steven K. Mayfield, to invite the children to the beach with their family members and school staff, so they could see the benefits of previous interactions.

"The service members have been meeting with the children at the school almost every month," said Iha. "This was a great opportunity for the parents of the children to see the service members who volunteer with their children. It was a great experience to look around and see everyone enjoying themselves, and we definitely plan to coordinate future activities like this."

While the beach event was open to anyone from CAB who wanted to attend, the majority were the Marines and sailors who volunteered for the English-teaching visits, according to 2nd Lt. Ty Hogan, a ground intelligence officer with CAB.

"I think being on this island it is imperative to remember the importance of this relationship," said Hogan. "I am extremely impressed with the Marines and sailors who continue to volunteer and for those who offered the children an opportunity to see familiar faces. We all signed up to make a difference, and the Marines and sailors definitely did that."

The group swam, held footraces, and built sand castles throughout the event.

"The biggest thing for us was just the opportunity to be able to participate," said Sanae Gibo, the school principal. "While we are very thankful for the monthly service members' visits to teach English, it is events like these that the kids will remember."

While the English-teaching visits will continue, the students, their families and school staff look forward to future interactions outside of a school setting, according to Gibo.

"We hope to continue these events with the service members as often as we can," said Gibo. "Many people have no idea (about the positive) impact this can have on the children's future."



"By working together as one, we can maintain a beautiful Mother Nature, not only for us but for generations to come," said Cazeau. sailors, soldiers and airmen need to work closer together, so we can The Marines provided a service for not only the environment but about each other, according to Makino Higa, an Urasoe City com-Lance Cpl. Joshua W. Nickson, right, shares a laugh with Masumi Oshiro July 15 during the Aqua Social Fes 2013 "Vitamin Sea."

Cpl. Andy Cazeau, center, picks up litter with community members July 15 during the Agua Social Fes 2013 "Vitamin Sea" where community members and service members cleaned the shoreline of Inanse in Urasoe City. 7月15日に浦添市のいなんせ海岸で行われた清掃活 動アクアソーシャルフェス2013 Vitamin Seaで、地元の人 たちと一緒にゴミを拾うアンディー・カザウ伍長。



"From Camp Kinser all the way to Camp Gonsalves, Marines,

"With our guests present, our junior high school students, who

Events like this are even more enjoyable when service members

and community members work side-by-side while learning more

The participating Marines also enjoyed the opportunity they

otherwise wouldn't have received if they stayed within the bound-

"Community engagements such as volunteering at a nursing

home or participating in a beach cleanup not only help the local

community, but also provides us the opportunity to visit different

sites on the island and interact with the community," said Nickson.

The cleanup paints a perfect portrait that through events like

"This was a successful event where we could all bond together no

matter the age or gender," said Matsumoto. "I know that the city of

Urasoe would enjoy having the Marines and sailors of Camp Kinser

these the local communities and the service members can come

together to build and keep strengthening their relationship.

continue to show their support in these types of events."

are learning English, seized this opportunity to practice their foreign language with the Americans, (while cleaning the beach),"

work with our host nation as a more effective team."

the community members as well.

ary of the military installation.

said Matsumoto.

munity member.

Citizens, Marines clean shoreline

during nationwide festival

Service members on leave or liberty can choose to engage in recreational activities, professional military education or just relax.

But on one hot, sunny day, Marines used their time to volunteer at

Approximately 450 community members and 40 Camp Kinser-

based Marines came together July 15 for the Aqua Social Fes 2013,

also known as "Vitamin Sea," to clean up the shore of Inanse in

The event, which was first organized in 2012 by a Japanese

promote," said Tetsuji Matsumoto, the Urasoe City mayor. "It is

very important that we continue to work together to keep building

Before the beach cleanup started, service members experienced a

number of Okinawa's cultural traditions during a street performance.

"It was awesome being able to watch a traditional taiko perfor-

mance and a shishi-mai, or lion dance, that the children performed

for the event," said Lance Cpl. Joshua W. Nickson, a finance tech-

nician with Combat Logistics Regiment 37, 3rd Marine Logistics

Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force. "I will be going out and

This event will open up follow-on opportunities with the

community, according to Cpl. Andy Cazeau, an electrician with

Facilities Engineer Division, Marine Corps Base Camp Smedley

lakes with the participation of local community members.

private company, initiates activities for the protection of the aquatic

environment throughout Japan, such as cleaning beaches, rivers and

"The citizens of Okinawa welcome the collaboration these events

an event that gave back to the environment and community.

Lance Cpl. Jose D. Lujano

and fortifying our relationship."

experiencing more of Okinawa."

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Dancers perform the shishi-mai, or lion dance, July 15 during the opening ceremony of the Aqua Social Fes 2013 "Vitamin Sea," 月15日、清掃活動アクアソーシャルフェス2013 Vitamin Sea の開始 で獅子舞が披露された。Photos by Lance Cpl. Jose D. Lujano

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Marines and children from Oshima try Hawaiian dance during the pool party held at the Camp Foster swimming pool July 29. 7月29日に、キャン プフォスターのプールで プールパーティーが行われ、大島の子供達と海兵隊 員が ハワイアンダンスに挑戦した。 Photo by Lance Cpl.Natalie M. Rostran



Japanese and American students participate in a water-balloon distance toss during the Kid Olympics July 27 at Amicus International Elementary School. 7月27日、アミークスインター ナショナルスクールで行われた子供オリンピックで、水風船を投げる 日本人とアメリカ人の子供達。Photo by Lance Cpl. John S. Gargano



Cpl. Andre S. Thomas, left, and Petty Officer 3rd Class Cameron M. Bernard dance on the stage during a yukata contest at the Nago summer fesival July 28. 7月 28日、名護夏祭りの浴衣コンテスト に出場し、舞台で踊りを披露するア ンドレ·S·トーマス伍長(左)とキャ メロン·M・バーナード三等兵曹。



Lance Cpl. Marianne I. Novak swims with children from the Tai Chu En Orphanage at a field meet on Camp Kinser Aug. 25. 8月25日にキャンプキンザーのプールで袋中園の子供達と泳ぐ マリアン・1・ノヴァック上等兵。 Photo by Lance Cpl. Anne K. Henry

Members of the Osprey Fan Club gather in front of an MV-22B Osprey on the flight line at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma July 10. 7月10 日、オスプレイファンク ブのメンバー が海兵隊普 天間基地を訪れ、オスプレ イを見学した。 Photo by Lance Cpl. John S. Gargano



Event Highlights Fostering friendship ei Business College Nigel T. Carroll how





Lt. Col. Ken Sandler, commanding officer of 7th Communication Battalion, left, gives a gift certificate to Haruo Ginoza, chairman of Kin Akebono-kai board of directors, Sept. 14. The battalion gave four lawn mowers to the Hikarigaoka Nursing Home, which is part of the Kin Akebono-kai. 9月 14日、第7通信大隊の司令官 ケン・サンドラー中佐から、金 武あけぼの会の宜野座治男理 事長に、同会の光が丘老人ホ ームに寄贈する芝刈り機4台 の目録が手渡された。 Photo by Lance Cpl. Diamond N. Peden



Photo by Lance Cpl. Henry Antend





Michiko Nakahodo (left), camp services staff, shows Saaya Koja (middle) where to put a stamp on the temporary visitor's pass. Koja is a student intern from Kuwae Middle School, and Nanami Tsuha(right), is also an intern from Chatan Middle School. 桑江中学 校の古謝沙采さん(中央)と 北谷中学校の津覇七海さん (右)に、臨時通行許可証の どこにスタンプを押せばい いか指示するキャンプサー ビス職員の仲程美智子さん



Japanese students experience employment on Camp Foster

Hiroko Tamaki

Middle school students from Chatan Town recently spent three days at Camp Foster to learn what it is like to work on a U.S. Marine Corps installation.

The student internship program is organized annually by the Chatan Town Board of Education to send students to various offices in private and public sectors.

"I asked my teacher to place me in a job that involves English language," said Nanami Tsuha, an eighth-grader from Chatan Middle School and one of the six students who experienced the work environment on Camp Forster. "In the future, I want to get a job I can use English for."

This is the first time that Camp Foster hosted interns from the board of education's program, according to Hiroko Tomimura, Camp Foster's community relations specialist.

"The board of education solicits participation from companies and organizations that can invite interns to their

offices," said Tomimura. "I submitted an application this year to make Camp Foster a part of the program." The idea originally came from a com-

ment made by Chatan Town Mayor Masaharu Noguni back in 2010, according to Col. Katherine J. Estes, Camp Foster commander.

"Mayor Noguni indicated that there are not many companies that can accept students," said Estes. "It took time to make this happen because of various factors including legal clearance and base access."

The six students were divided into three groups and assigned to the Marine Corps dining facility, camp services and the public affairs office.

At the dining facility, the intern's responsibility included setting tables, laying out desserts in the refrigerated showcases, and replenishing paper napkins. They also served food to service members during the afternoon meal.

"It is difficult for me to understand their request when they ask for a larger portion or smaller portion," said Riki

Teruya, a student from Kuwae Middle School. "But when they say 'thank you very much,' it makes me happy."

Being in the English-speaking environment and communicating with Americans was an exciting experience for the students.

"When people in the office talk to me in English, I can catch some vocabulary and kind of understand what they say," said Saaya Koja, a Kuwae Middle School student who worked as a receptionist at the camp services office. "Then Japanese members of the office taught me how to respond, and I used the expressions I learned to reply. I feel proud of myself when they understand me."

The program was a great way for the students to see so many Japanese employees working side-by-side with Americans on the military installation.

"The student internship program was a great success," said Estes. "It provided the students an opportunity to observe the Japanese employees at their work sites and learn what type of work they do."



Machida spent three days at Camp Foster on the internship program organized by the Chatan Town board of education. 6月26日、キャンプフ ォスターの兵士用食堂で 料理を取り分ける北谷中学校の町田紀香さん。町田さんは、北谷町教育委員会が主催する職場体験プログラムの下、キャ

Students, service members create lasting bonds during exchange

Lance Cpl. David N. Hersey Hiroko Tamaki

Under the blue sky of a hot, Okinawa summer day, students of a Japanese international elementary school and U.S. service members enjoyed a cultural exchange during the 2nd annual Military Friendship Day Picnic held at the school July 13.

Busy Bee School, which is just outside of Camp Foster's "Legion Gate," organized its first friendship day picnic last year in commemoration of the 40th anniversary of Okinawa's reversion to Japan, according to Sachiko Arakaki, the principle of the school. Upon requests from parents and Americans to do it again this year, the school decided to make it an annual event.

"Although the Japanese students learn Eng lish at school, their opportunity to use it is limited to their teachers and classmates' parents who are not Japanese." said Arakaki. "Americans also don't have many chances to interact with local community members. So an event like this is an inspiring experi-

The picnic began with the students performing eisa, Okinawa's traditional drum performance, to welcome the volunteers and guests. After the performance, the students and volunteers integrated into

teams to play several games like American dodgeball and tug-of-war.

The participants went into classrooms after lunch and created origami, or Japanese paper craft. The Japanese

students and their families taught the Americans how to fold paper to create birds and flowers. "This event helps service members

deepen their understanding about Japan," said Arakaki. "It will eventually help both sides understand each other."

Events such as the friendship picnic are a good way to build relationships between the U.S. armed forces and the people of Okinawa, according to Sgt. Daniel Olvera, a participant and bulk fuel specialist with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, III Marine Expeditionary Force. The event afforded service members the opportunity to

interact with people in a relaxed setting. "The children get to see our playful side and are more likely to talk to us and feel more comfortable doing activities or sports when we are out of uniform," said Olvera. "They relate to us easier when they can see that we have fun just like they do."

Hoping to teach their students more about the U.S. armed forces

and the English language, the school staff arranged for a tour of Camp Foster and Marine Corps Air Station Futenma.

"It helps bring an understanding of (Americans) to the children," said Michael B. Martin, a volunteer at the school "The children know the American military is here, but they don't know much about them."

During the field trip the students were given a tour, viewing the newly built wind turbine on Camp Foster. They then went to MCAS Futenma and received a presentation by Lt. Col. Sean P. Patak, the executive officer of MCAS Futenma.

The students and staff were also given a tour of an MV-22B Osprey before going to the fire station where Marines displayed their firefighting skills by demonstrating the response time between receiving an emergency call and responding to it.

"We want them to be more exposed to the English language and an environment where people interact while using it," said Arakaki. "They can learn a lot of things in the classroom, but seeing these things with their own eyes and learning from the people who actually do the things that they are learning about is infinitely better."

Daiki Kouzu, a former student of Busy Bee School, teaches origami to Lance Cpl. Cecilia N. Figueroa during the school's Military Friendship Day Picnic July 13. 7月13日、ビジー・ビー・スクー ルのミリタリー・フレンドシップデー・ピクニックで、セシリア・N・フィゲ ロア上等兵に折り紙を教える同スクールの元生徒の神津大響君 Photo by Hiroko Tamaki

Camp Hansen, Kin Town dignitaries bowl in friendship

Cpl. Adam B. Miller

There is no mistaking the cracking echo in a bowling alley as 10 pins are knocked down by a perfectly placed, perfectly thrown bowling ball.

Such was the scene at the Camp Hansen Bowling Alley Aug. 17 during the Camp Commander's Friendship Bowling match in correlation with the Camp Hansen Friendship Festival.

"We have a special relationship with Kin Town," said Col. Stephen B. Lewallen Jr., the commanding officer of III Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group, III MEF, and Camp Hansen commander. "The mayor (of Kin Town) and I see each other frequently, so when we get together like this it is just another way to improve our relationship and ensure it lasts a

Annually, Camp Hansen hosts a friendship festival to foster good relations between the Marine Corps and the Okinawa community.

"These types of events are good for both the Marines and

the people of Kin Town and their families," said Kiichi Higa, the superintendent of Kin Town's board of education. "But it is also a good opportunity for people like me because it gives me a chance to get to know some of the (Marine Corps') leaders here a little better."

During the bowling matches, it was all laughs and applause as the Marines, their families and Kin Town dignitaries did their best at a game requiring a great deal of skill.

"I'm not the best bowler, but I had a fun time bowling with the colonel, sergeant major and the other representatives of Kin Town who were able to make it out for the event," said Tsuyoshi Gibu, the Kin Town mayor. "But the real purpose was to deepen the connection we have between our community and the Marines who live and work where we live and work."

It was a good time to let loose, share some laughs, and enjoy a fun game all in the name of building upon an already good relationship between Kin Town and Camp Hansen, according

金武町&キャンプハンセン 司令官主催ボーリング大会で 交流を深める

Lt. Col. Kenneth M. Sandler vies for the high score Aug. 17 at the Camp Hansen Bowling Alley during a Camp Commander's Friendship Bowling match. Sandler is the commanding officer

of 7th Communication Battalion. 8月17日にキャンプハンセンの ボーリング場で行われたハンセン司令官主催親善ボーリング大会で、 ハイスコアを狙う第7通信大隊司令官のケネス・M・サンドラー中佐。 photos by Cpl. Adam B. Miller

> Tsuyoshi Gibu, Kin Town mayor, claps after his opponent picks up a spare Aug. 17 at the Camp Hansen Bowling Alley during a Camp Commander's Friendship Bowling match. 8月17日にキャンプハンセンのボーリング 場で行われたハンセン司令官主催親善ボーリング大会で、ス ペアを取った対戦相手に拍手を送る儀武剛金武町長

Kiichi Higa (right) bowls for a spare Aug. 17 at the Camp Hansen Bowling Alley during a Camp Commander's Friendship Bowling match. Higa is the superintendent of Kin Town's board of education. ハンセン司令官主催親善ボ ーリング大会で、スペアを狙 う金武町の比嘉貴一教育長



Lance Cpl. Amanda V. Davis, left, laughs with students of the University of the Ryukyus Wind Orchestra Band Club June 19 at the III Marine Expeditionary Force Band Hall during a language and cultural exchange. 6月19日、III M E F バンドの 音楽室で、外国語レッスンや文化交流をしながら琉球大学吹奏楽部のメンバーと一 緒に笑うアマンダ・V・デイビス上等兵。Photos by Lance Cpl. John S. Gargano



Taku Kikuzawa (left) and Takuto Shigenobu (right) practice English with Sgt. Ryan W. Wiley during a language and cultural exhchange between the Univesity of the Ryukyus Wind Orchestra Band Club and III Marine Expeditionary Force Band at the Ⅲ MEF Band Hall June 19. 6月19日、Ⅲ MEFバンドの音楽室で、ラ イアン・W・ワイリー三等軍曹(中央)と英会話の練習をする菊沢拓さん(左)と重信 琢人さん。

Friendship continues from concert to language exchange

Lance Cpl. John S. Gargano

"Konichiwa!" said the student instructor to the Marines. The Marines responded excitedly with a boisterous "Konichiwa!" of their own.

Seated in small groups, the Marines looked at their student instructor with a mixture of awe and excitement as they engaged in a language they had yet to master.

Marines with the III Marine Expeditionary Force Band and students with the University of the Ryukyus Wind Orchestra Band Club gathered at the III MEF Band Hall on Camp Foster June 18 to enhance their language skills in English and Japanese.

"It's great to learn Japanese because it helps us get more involved with the community and establishes a strong relationship with the students," said Lance Cpl. Jean C. Salas, a clarinetist with the III MEF Band. "As ambassadors of the U.S., this is a great way to better understand the Japanese culture."

The Marines and students came together to not only learn one another's language, but also to enhance and strengthen the bond between the two groups of musicians.

The members of the III MEF band and the student

orchestra established a strong professional relationship through the recent joint concert they performed, according to Sgt. Ryan W. Wiley, a trumpeter with the III MEF Band.

"A lot of us have been hanging out with the university students, and we wanted to get together and have an informal language trade-off session, where we could help each other out," said Wiley. "It's great to learn language skills from a native speaker."

The Marines studied Japanese with the assistance of some of the students, while other students practiced English with several Marines.

"This is such a good opportunity for me because I want to be a teacher, and being able to learn English will help me greatly," said Nozomi Taguchi, a student at the university. "It helps us to foster better relationships with each other through understanding a foreign language and will also help us with our careers after graduation."

The students and Marines plan to get together again soon to brush up on the knowledge and skills they learned.

"In the end, it really is about mutual respect for culture," said Wiley. "Both the Marines and the university students took time to learn about one another, which is a fantastic way to build understanding and respect."



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海兵隊員たちの身なりを整える日本人理容師

キャンプフォスターにある海兵 隊太平洋基地・海兵隊キャンプ バトラー基地司令部ビルの地下1 階に、知る人ぞ知る小さな理髪店 があります。今号の「大きな輪」 は、20年以上この理髪店で働き、 海兵隊や海軍兵だけでなく民間人 従業員も含めた多くの人が身なりを 整えるのに貢献してきた仲松若枝 さんにお話を聞きました。

編集者:この仕事をしてどのく らいになりますか?

仲松: 海兵隊員たちの髪を切 って20年になります。高校を卒業 してすぐに埼玉の理容学校に行っ て、東京でインターンをし、国家 資格を取って沖縄に戻ってきまし た。民間の理髪店数軒で働いた 後、嘉手納基地で勤務し、1年後

にはこの店舗で働くようになりま した。以来ずっとここなので、もう 数え切れないくらい沢山の海兵隊 員の髪を切ってますし、その中に は歴代の司令官もいますよ。

編集者:特に印象に残っている 人や出来事はありますか?

仲松:日本語を勉強していたキ

ース・シエリ中佐という人がいて、 私も日本語で話すのが楽しかった んです。でも、ある日突然アメリカ 本国に帰ってしまったので、なぜ だろうと思っていたら、癌だったと いうことが分かりました。住所を きいて手紙を書いたら、アメリカ から返事をくれたんですよ。彼が 亡くなった後、奥さんから手紙が 来ました。人と人とのつながりっ てこういうことですよね。

編集者:仕事をする時に気をつ けていることはありますか?

仲松:この仕事は予約制で、一 人当たり20分と決まっています。 なので、20分で全てを終わらせ るようにしないと、次のお客さん を待たせてしまいます。予約に遅 れてくる人がいると、さらに大変 ですよ。

あと、ここではリラックスしても らいたいので、癒しの音楽をかけ ています。

編集者:この仕事のどういうと ころが一番好きですか?

仲松:お客さんをきれいにして 喜んでもらえるところですね。海 兵隊では、身なりを整えることが とても大事なので、毎週来る人も います。ここでの時間は本当にリ



ラックスタイムだと言ってくれるん ですよ。ここで気持ちを切り替えて 仕事に戻るのを見ると、こちらも嬉 しくなります。

Japanese barber keeps Marines' clean appearance

Unknown to some, there is a small barber shop in the basement of the Marine Corps Installations Pacific and First Marine Aircraft Wing headquarters building on Camp Foster. In this edition of the Big Circle we interviewed Wakae Nakamatsu, the barber who has operated the shop for more than two decades, helping Marines, sailors and even civilians maintain their sharp appearance.

Editor: How long have you been doing this job?

Nakamatsu: I have been cutting Marines hair for over 20 years. I went to a barber school in Saitama prefecture right after graduating from high school, worked as an intern in Tokyo for a while, and received a national license before coming back to Okinawa. After working for some barber shops off-base, I started working on Kadena Air Base. One year later, I transferred to this shop. I have been here since then, so I have provided service to innumerable Marines, including many of generals..

Editor: Is there any particular person or event that left a strong impression on you?

Nakamatsu: Lt. Col. Keith Cieri was my regular customer and was studying Japanese. I enjoyed talking

with him in Japanese. However, he suddenly went back to the states and I wondered why. I later found that he had a cancer. I got his address and wrote a letter. He wrote me back from the states. After he passed away, his wife sent me a letter. It's all about having a personal connection.

Editor: Is there anything you keep in mind when providing service?

Nakamatsu: My job is on the appointment basis, and each appointment is for 20 minutes. I have to make sure everything is completed in 20 minutes, otherwise I will make the next customer wait.

It gives me an extra challenge when someone comes in late for his appointment.

Also, I want to help them relax, so I always put soothing

Editor: What do you like most about your job?

Nakamatsu: It feels good to make my customers look neater and happy. Some of them come weekly because keeping a well-groomed appearance is very important in the Marine Corps. They say it is truly a relaxing time to be here. I like seeing them refreshed to go back to work.

